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IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- (Currently amended) A guide for a rope or chain comprising:
 a base plate;
 - an arcuate first arm pivotally connected to the base plate at a first pivot;

an arcuate second arm pivotally eonnected mounted to the first arm at a second pivot and so as in a rest position to form an acute angle with the first arm, wherein the arcuate second arm is pivotally eonnected to the first arm at a location pivot is spaced from the pivotal connection between the arcuate first arm and the base plate first pivot; and

biasing means between the base plate and the second arm.

- 2. (Previously presented) A guide as claimed in claim 1, wherein the base plate carries a chain wheel, wherein the chain wheel has a periphery and the arms are positioned adjacent the periphery of the chain wheel.
- 3. (Currently amended) A guide as claimed in claim 1, wherein the biasing means comprises a spring connected to the second arm at a position between a pivot point between the base-plate and first arm and a pivot point between the first and the second arms pivot.
- 4. (Original) A guide as claimed in claim 1, wherein the second arm carries a pressure member.
- 5. (Currently amended) A guide for a rope or chain comprising: a base plate; an arm pivotally connected to the base plate at a first pivotal connection; biasing means between the base plate and the arm; and an elongate pressure member pivotally mounted on the arm at a second pivotal connection spaced from the first pivotal connection.
- 6. (Canceled)
- 7. (Original) A guide as claimed in claim 5, wherein the arm is substantially arcuate.

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- 8. (Original) A guide as claimed in claim 5, wherein the pressure member is substantially arcuate.
- 9. (Currently amended) A guide as claimed in claim 5, wherein the pressure member is substantially arcuate having a convex face and a pivot point the second pivotal connection of the pressure member is adjacent the convex face of the pressure member.
- 10. (Currently amended) A guide as claimed in claim 5, wherein the base plate carries at least one chain wheel, wherein each chain wheel having a periphery wherein, a pivot point and the first pivotal connection is between the arm to the base being adjacent the periphery of the chain wheel.
- 11. (Currently amended) A guide as claimed in claim 5, wherein a pivot point between the arm and the pressure member the second pivotal connection is displaced from a centre point of the pressure member towards a pivot point between the arm and base the first pivotal connection.
- 12. (Original) A guide as claimed in claim 5, wherein the biasing means comprises a spring.
- 13. (Original) A winch including a guide according to claim 1.
- 14.-16. (Canceled)
- 17. (New) A guide as claimed in claim 1, wherein the second arm substantially overlays the first arm in the rest position.
- 18. (New) A guide as claimed in claim 1, wherein the second arm comprises a third arm positioned below the first arm, and the biasing means is connected to the third arm.
- 19. (New) A guide as claimed in claim 4, wherein the pressure member is arcuate.